THE MOUSE
Worksheet 7, Variation 1

Materials:
Worksheet 7 (Variation 1), pencils, and boxes of crayons for each child

Color Variation 1:
Gray Mouse
Black Cat

Before the Lesson:
At http://fhautism.com/arc.html, find Worksheet 7 (Variation 1). Print one for each student, plus a few extras. Write the date on the board.

Teaching the Lesson

1. Distribute the worksheets and pencils to your students. Say: “Write your name on your paper.” Make sure everyone writes his or her name. Then say: “Write the date. It is on the board.” Make sure everyone writes the date. Take the pencils from them.

2. Say: “(student’s name), please read the sentences at the top of the paper.” Ask several students to read. If no one can read the passage, read it yourself, or have an aide read it.

3. Say: “We want to color the picture. What two crayons do we need?” Ask the question several times, and allow different children to answer. Then help them find the gray and black crayons. Take the crayon boxes from them.

4. Say: “We will color the mouse gray and the cat black. What color do we color the mouse?” Ask the question several times, and allow different children to answer.

5. Say: “Color the mouse.” Make sure they color only the mouse. Repeat the words “gray mouse” as often as possible.

6. Say: “What color do we color the cat? Let’s look back at our story if we need a reminder.” Ask the question several times, and allow different children to answer.

7. Say: “Color the cat.” Make sure they color only the cat. Repeat the words “black cat” as often as possible. Then take the crayons.
8. Ask comprehension questions. Lead students to answer orally, in a complete sentence. For each question, if the student answers incorrectly, guide him or her to read the text again. Questions: 1. What color is the mouse? 2. What color is the cat? 3. Where is the mouse? 4. What is the mouse eating? 5. How does the cat feel? Answers: 1. The mouse is gray. 2. The cat is black. 3. The mouse is on the cat. 4. The mouse is eating cheese. 5. The cat feels angry.

9. Ask the questions again in random order. Give each student a chance to answer correctly, in complete sentences.

10. Pass out pencils. Ask each comprehension question again. (See step 8 for questions and answers.) When a student answers correctly, write the sentence on the board. Say: “Copy the sentence onto your paper.” Do this for each question and answer. Take pencils from them.

11. Pass out boxes of crayons. Say: “Choose one crayon.” Make sure they choose only one. Take boxes of crayons from them. Then say: “Color the cheese.” Make sure they color only the cheese. Take papers from them.

12. Give out reinforcers.